



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

**BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST,  
SUNBURY, WILDWOOD**

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## Liturgy this week

Sat:	6.00pm	St Anne's
Sun:	8.30am	St Anne's
	10.30am	St Anne's
	5.30pm	OLMC
Mon:	9.15am	Liturgy of the Word-St Anne's
Tues:	7.00pm	OLMC
Wed:	9.15am	St Anne's
Thurs:	9.15am	St Anne's
Fri:	9.15 am	St Anne's

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday 10.00 -10.30am OLMC

Parish Priest: Rev Kevin McIntosh  
Assisting Priest: Rev Bert Fulbrook SDB.  
Pastoral Associate: Mr Richard Hallett  
Pastoral Associate: Sr Jose Noy RSJ  
Pastoral Associate: Mrs Lyn Plummer

St Anne's Primary School 9744 3055  
Principal : Ms Noelene Hussey  
Our Lady of Mt Carmel School 9740 7344  
Principal : Mr Paul Hogan

**Parish Information**  
Baptisms: Celebrated on Sundays.  
Please contact the Parish Office for details of the next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

**LED BY THE SPIRIT:** is the title of a history of our parish since 1852. Remaining copies for sale are available from the Piety Stall or Parish Office for \$20.

**ST PATRICKS EVE BASKET SUPPER DANCE:** Saturday 16 March 2013 from 6pm. Keep this date free to come and rock your socks off! The "Ripchords" will be playing music from the 50's, 60's, 70's, and 80's with a good sprinkling of Irish thrown in. Gather a table of 10 or come on your own and make new friends and get into the Spirit of St Patrick's Day. Bring along food to share with those on your table. Tickets are \$20 per head. Book early to avoid disappointment. Inquiries and payments to the Parish Office.



## MORNING TEA IS BACK ON!:

on the first Sunday of every month, after 8.30am Mass, one of our Parish Neighbourhoods will host morning tea for our Parishioners. We invite everyone to be part of this wonderful community atmosphere- it is a good opportunity to catch up with people we haven't seen in a while or to make new friends. It is funny to say that we know someone's face but not their name- this is a great way to get to know their name and a beautiful opportunity to make new friends. This month the families of Jacksons Hill Neighbourhood will be hosting the morning tea. Please feel free to come have a cuppa. Bring a plate to share if you wish. All are welcome.



## 20 January 2013- 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Psalm Response:** Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the Gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

### LET US PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Caleb FARIA Vince FEDELE Bill JANNER Adele & Norman JOHNSON Marie LAWLEY Frank O'MAHONEY Margaret PITHIE Bishop Michael PUTNEY Garry REDDAN Dawn STEVENS Irma TAKAKIS Vicki WARD Tim WILKES

**Recently Deceased:** Shane CASTLES Luis RODLES

**Anniversaries:** Bill CROOKS Elizabeth MC LINDEN Nora MILLETT Doris O'BRIEN John RODRIGUES

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Sunday is the third January Sunday in a row where there is a manifestation, a revelation of who Jesus is. Firstly, Jesus was revealed to the wise men from the East as the Saviour of all peoples, not only the chosen Jews. Secondly, at his baptism recalled last Sunday, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of the Father. Today, Jesus is revealed as the Messiah who has come. The Messianic banquet has begun as Jesus changed an extraordinary amount of water (680 litres) into wine. The abundance of God is already available. This is a sign of the overflowing of God's love into human history. Our baptismal font overflowing water is a sign of God's never-ending abundance to us.

## GUESTS AT THE WEDDING OF CANA

St John's Gospel (2:1-11) describes the wedding at Cana, in northern Galilee. In those days, the feast lasted several days and naturally the guests were expected to bring their own food.

Mary the mother of Jesus alerts her son to the embarrassing shortage of wine and places the resolution of the problem into his hands. To us, Jesus calling his mother "Woman" may seem odd. Maybe Jesus is alluding to the Eve in the Garden of Eden where Eve is called "The Woman". Hence, Jesus appears to address Mary as the New Eve and the mother of the Messiah. Later at the cross, Jesus again called his mother "Woman".

## A BRIGHT FUTURE

In our current world of economic recession and institutional scandals, today's reading speaks of a bright future measured not by economics but by transformation and enriching power of God's love for us all.

## REFLECTION

Things can change: water can become wine, families can be reconciled, justice can replace violence, peace can cover the land. And people can change when they get a chance. Love can change hardness of heart into compassion, prayer can change a selfish style of life into generosity. With the touch of Jesus water can change into wine, and men and women can change, and become like God. (D Neary, Communion Reflections, 1997, p.52)

## LIVING OUT OF MARRIAGE

Is the way most baptised people grow in holiness. Each partner gives and receives love from the other thus giving life to each other. Marriage is a Sacrament or sign just as Christ loves the Church, giving himself up for us, so husband and wife love each other. Their love is a sign of God's love for us- unending and fruitful as St Paul taught. In the 20th Century, our theological appreciation of marriage has grown. In addition, there has been more appreciation of the aspects of relationship. Our Melbourne Archdiocese has specialised marriage educators to lead engaged couples into a deeper and more loving relationship. Most couples speak very appreciatively of these courses after they have completed them.

.....Kevin Mc Intosh

**COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS:** these beautiful calendars are available from the Piety Stall at \$9 each.



**OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY:** we offer to Helen Castles and to her children Matthew, Jason and Kylie and their families as her husband of 37 years, Shane, entered eternal life last week after battling cancer for six years. After building their home, Shane and Helen came to our parish in 1978 as a young married couple. Shane served seven years as a CFA volunteer. His son Jason has been a CFA volunteer for 15 years. Vigil Prayers were offered last Thursday evening, followed by Mass on Friday morning and committal at Sunbury Cemetery.

**LINK COMMUNITY TRANSPORT:** is a community transport service delivered through partnership between Link Community Transport and Hume City Council. The service provides transport to individuals and group transport for people over 65 or for those with disabilities or carers. The service can be pre booked via 9355 8484 for travel, but not for anything to do with Medical Appointments. Gold coin donations would be greatly appreciated.

**ANNOUNCING THE YEAR OF FAITH:** on October 11 2012, the fiftieth anniversary of Vatican II, the Pope released an Apostolic Letter titled "Porta Fidei" for all to read. We have many copies of the letter in each church, so please take them. On page 11, Pope Benedict XVI tells us what we should be trying to achieve as a Parish in 2013. Did you know within our Parish we have Small Christian Communities? These groups gather to pray regularly and if you are interested in being part of it, please contact Jennifer Poon on 9740 9650.

**WORKING BEE:** Calling all busy bees! We are having a working bee at St Anne's Church on Saturday 2 February from 9am to noon. Bring your tools and help keep our church beautiful. If the weather is forecast to be over 30°C, it will be cancelled. We look forward to seeing you there!



#### **A PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE:**

*These are the hands of your best friend young and strong and full of love for you that are holding yours on your wedding day as you promise to love each other today, tomorrow and forever.*  
*These are the hands that will work along side yours as together you build your future.*  
*These are the hands that will passionately love you and cherish you through the years and with the slightest touch will comfort you like no other.*  
*These are the hands that will hold you when fear or grief fills you mind.*  
*These are the hands that will countless times wipe the tears from your eyes, tears of sorrow and tears of joy.*  
*These are the hands that will tenderly hold your children.*  
*These are the hands that will help you to hold your family as one.*  
*These are the hands that will give you strength when you need it.*  
*And lastly, these are the hands that even when wrinkled and aged will still be reaching for yours— still giving you the same unspoken tenderness with just a touch.*

#### **ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND**

**ALTAR CARE:** St Anne's Church— Sue Sexton Ann Twomey

**CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Sheralyn Berry St Anne's Church - Michelle Bakker Bernie Owens

**COUNTERS:** John & Judith Bracher Judith Ibrahim

**GIFT SHOP:** Carmel Wiegerink Jack Reddan

**LECTORS:** Kevin Crowley Elena Rodrigues Elizabeth Falzon Brendan Morganti

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **6.00pm** Diana & Albert Mastramico Shashi Nair Barry Robert Yvonne Rozario Carmen Ryan Pauline Sharma **8.30am** Katherine Thompson Jo & Carmel Wiegerink Tom Allen Christine Cassar Colin & Coreen Wilson Andrew Swan Will Honner **10.30am** Teresa Kiploks Patricia McCourt Olina Moore Nesta Pardo Sean Quigley Sue Wight Mary Thomas **5.30pm** Alan Slocombe Paula Seric

**HELP NEEDED:** at 8.30am Mass for setting up for Mass. Training will be provided to any interested parties. We appeal to the regular 8.30am Mass goers to help as the majority of the Mass set up has fallen to one family, which is unfair. The roster is set for one month per year. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office on 9744 1060. Thank you to the 3 parishioners who have volunteered to help this week. If there are 2 more, that would be perfect!



**FOSTER CARE:** this is supposed to be the happiest time of the year for kids— new Christmas presents to play with, family get togethers, family outings, etc. Unfortunately, this is not the case for too many youngsters. Some children have no home, no family to care for them and live vulnerably every day. This is not what Jesus wanted for anyone, let alone these beautiful children. If you are able to help care for a vulnerable child, please think about Foster Care through MacKillop Family Services. They can be contacted on 8398 6800 or via [www.mackillop.org.au](http://www.mackillop.org.au) for further information.

**HEARTBEAT BALL 2013:** will be held on Saturday 16 February from 7pm-12am at Elizabethan Lodge, 604-610 Middleborough Rd, North Blackburn. Costs \$85 per head (\$80 concession) and includes 3 course meal with unlimited beer, wine and soft drinks. Tickets can be purchased via Doris on 9385 0100. The money raised will support the work of Right to Life Australia and Pregnancy Counselling Australia.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2013:** will be held in late July in Rio de Janeiro. The Victorian Coordinator is Brendan Lindsay – 9412 3306 or email [wyd2013@cam.org.au](mailto:wyd2013@cam.org.au). Various tour packages are available from 16-22 days costing \$5090 to \$6190 which includes airfares, taxes, accommodation, tours and most meals. Leaflets are available at the Welcome Desk.



**INVITATION TO ALL:** The Salesians of Don Bosco invite you to the Eucharistic celebration of the Feast of St John Bosco and the Perpetual Profession of Peter Phung Ba Dat SDB and Charles Arun Michael SDB at St Margaret Mary's Church, 51 Mitchell St, North Brunswick on Thursday 31 January at 7.30pm. RSVP to Fr Anthony Quang 0412 560 445. Light meal following Eucharist.

**TERM 1, 2013 ANIMA EDUCATION:** presents Face to Face with Jesus in the Gospel of St John A Year of Faith focus on a personal encounter with Christ in the Scriptures "Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." – Pope Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est*. In key passages of the Gospel of St John, individual persons come face to face with the Person of Jesus Christ. In this course, we will read the Fourth Gospel focusing on these personal – and potentially life changing – encounters in order to come face to face with Jesus ourselves "so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (Jn 20:31). 12 hours (6 x 2 hour) interactive sessions on Monday nights 6:30pm to 8:30pm, February 11 to March 25 (excl. Mar 11) 2013 Mary Glowrey House 132 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy (opposite Carlton Gardens) Cost \$15 per night (\$90 for the whole course)  
Enrolment and enquiries: 0400 978 938 or [dschutz@cam.org.au](mailto:dschutz@cam.org.au) / [www.animaeducation.wordpress.com](http://www.animaeducation.wordpress.com). Lecturer David Schütz BTh BA GradDip MinGradDip LIM

**MEETING THIS WEEK:** for St Vincent de Paul on Monday 21 January 2013 at 7pm in St Anne's Church.